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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts: 23,618 Week ago: 33,488 Year ago: 35,360 Steers and Heifers Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh) Hols. Large 3

Fdr. ST	EERS:	<u>Fdr. HE</u>	<u> EIFERS:</u>	Hols. S	ΓEERS
261 lbs.	211.34	270 lbs.	188.06	368 lbs.	134.71
364 lbs.	205.11	360 lbs.	180.28	448 lbs.	127.59
451 lbs.	192.36	449 lbs.	169.75	554 lbs.	123.94
545 lbs.	178.38	545 lbs.	159.48	661 lbs.	118.87
643 lbs.	163.19	653 lbs.	145.72	758 lbs.	113.62
747 lbs.	149.02	742 lbs.	137.68	842 lbs.	108.04
850 lbs.	143.63	816 lbs.	128.48	1067 lbs.	101.00
916 lbs.	135.85 [±]		:		i

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains)

Feeder Cattle Receipts: 2250 Week ago: 2112 Year ago: 2733 Cow and Bull Receipts: 700 Week Ago: 1250 Year Ago: 775 Compared to last week, steers under 650 lbs steady to 8.00 higher over steady to 2.00 lower, heifers under 500 lbs steady to 4.00 higher over unevenly steady. Slaughter cows Lean cows steady to 2.00 higher, Boning cows steady, breaking cows steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter bulls 2.00-3.00 higher.

STEERS:		<u>HEIFERS</u> :		
Medium and	d Large 1	Medium and Large 1		
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300-400 lbs.	197.00-214.00	300-400 lbs.	175.00-185.00	
400-450 lbs.	190.00-210.00	400-500 lbs.	163.00-184.00	
450-500 lbs.	183.00-192.50	500-550 lbs.	158.00-173.00	
500-600 lbs.	169.00-186.00	550-600 lbs.	147.50-159.00	
600-700 lbs.	163.00-175.00	600-700 lbs.	141.00-155.00	
787 lbs.	136.00			

707 103.	130.00	
-	Holsteins Large 3 132.00-132.50 116.00-122.00 109.00	SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 82.50-90.00, high dressing 88.00-95.00, low dressing 75.00-80.00. Lean (85-90%) 75.00-83.00, low dressing 65.00-72.50
Grade 1-2 145 110.00, high d	BULLS: Yield 0-2155 lbs 100.00- ressing 113.00- essing 91.00-98.50.	REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2 4-7 yrs 950-1320 lbs 1st-3rd stage 975.00-1150.00, ind blk baldie

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium

1400.00-1575.00 per pair.

and Large 1-2 2-7 yrs 800-1200 lbs with babies to 250 lbs calves,

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5 yrs, 1040 lbs 3rd stage

1210.00 per head.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts: 5571 Week ago: 7170 Year ago: 8233
Cow and Bull Receipts: 1485 Week ago: 1507 Year ago: 1834
Compared to last week, feeders under 500 lbs steady to 2.00 higher, over 500 lbs steady 2.00 lower. Slaughter cows 1.00-5.00 lower; bulls 1.00-2.00 lower.

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<u>STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1			<u>HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1		
	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 900-1000 lbs.	194.00-207.00 180.00-199.00 168.50-189.00 150.50-179.50 145.00-159.00 136.25	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	131.00-138.50 123.00-132.00 116.50-132.00 113.50-123.50 106.00-115.00 105.00-110.50	
	HOLSTE Large Fra 300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.		SLAUGHTER CC and Boning 79.00- dressing 85.00-94. 90%) 71.00-79.50. 61.00-71.50. SLAUGHTER BU Grade 1-2 1100-22. 105.50, high dress 114.50, couple up	89.00, high 50. Lean (85-, low dressing <u>ULLS:</u> Yield 260 lbs. 97.00- ing 104.00-	
	REPLACEMENT Of Medium and Large short and solid, 2nd	1-2 2 yrs to	COW & CALF PA and Large 1-2 2 yrs solid, 900-1320 lbs	s to short and	

NORTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Maryville, St Joe)

Receipts: 2039 Week ago: 4413 Year ago: 1900 Compared to last week, steers under 400 lbs 10.00-15.00 higher, over 400 lbs steady to 5.00 lower, heifers steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady.

	STEERS: and Large 1		HEIFERS: and Large 1
300-400 lbs.	210.00-231.00	300-400 lbs.	187.00-200.00
400-500 lbs.	189.50-207.00	400-500 lbs.	163.00-179.50
500-600 lbs.	177.25-186.00	600-700 lbs.	149.25-168.25
600-700 lbs.	158.50-177.00		140.50-151.50
700-800 lbs.	142.50-160.60		140.50-140.75
700-000 103.	142.30-100.00	700-000 103.	140.30-140.73

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1300-2150 lbs 92.00-101.00, low dressing 82.00-90.00.

-1355 lbs 1075.00-1310.00, better

quality 1425.00 per head.

BRED COWS: Medium and Large 1-2 Scarce

<u>SLAUGHTER COWS:</u> Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 87.00-92.50, high dressing 92.25-94.50. Lean (85-90 % lean) 76.50-83.00.

165 lbs calves, 1375.00-1650.00

<u>COW-CALF PAIRS:</u> Medium and Large 1-2 Scarce

WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Kingsville, Sedalia, Butler)

Receipts: 3932 Week Ago: 3635 Year Ago: 5118 Compared to last week, feeder prices uneven. Slaughter cows, breaking and boning cows steady to 3.00 lower, lean cows steady to 4.00 higher

	STEERS: Large 1&1-2		HEIFERS: Large 1 & 1-2	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs. 905 lbs.	197.50-215.00 180.00-208.00 159.00-186.00 150.50-179.00 138.00-161.75 135.25-140.60 136.25	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs.	178.00-204.00 155.00-182.00 140.00-170.50 134.00-158.00 130.00-147.75	
<u>SLAUGHTER BULLS:</u> Yield Grade 1-2 1275-2460 lbs 96.00-105.00, high dressing 106.00-116.00, low dressing 78.00-96.00.		SLAUGHTER (ing and Boning 79.00-89.00, hig -98.75. Lean (8:86.00	(75-85% lean) gh dressing 84.50	
COW & CALF PA	<u>AIRS:</u>	REPLACEMEN Scarce	NT COWS:	
EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY (Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville, Macon)				

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville, Macon) Receipts: 2388 Week ago: 5381 Year ago: 7551 Compared to last week, calves under 600 lbs unevenly steady over 600 lbs steady to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows mostly steady.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1		FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1	
325-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	195.00-211.00 171.00-208.00 165.00-186.50 148.00-168.00 143.50-154.50	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs.	175.00-187.00 155.00-177.00 145.00-165.00 135.00-150.50 135.00-140.50
SLAUGHTER STEERS and HEIF- ERS: High Select and Choice 2-4 119.00-122.25		and Boning, (70 -90.00, high dre	COWS: Breaking 0-85% lean) 77.00 essing up to 95.50 ean) 74.00-87.00
COWS & CALF P and Large 1-2 scare		SLAUGHTER 1 Grade 1-2 1350 104.00, high dre 112.50.	-2250 lbs. 94.00-

NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, Unionville, Green City, New Cambria)
Feeder Cattle Receipts: 2338 Week ago: 7463 Year ago: 3079
Slaughter Cattle Receipts: 36 Week ago: 12 Year ago: 15
Feeders under 700 lbs 5.00-10.00 lower over 700 lbs 2.00-5.00 lower.
Slaughter cows steady. Slaughter steers and heifers 3.00-5.00 lower

FEEDER S'		FEEDER I		
Medium and	Large 1-2	Medium and Large 1-2		
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs	206.00-210.00 181.00-198.00 171.00-182.50 159.50-159.75 144.50-149.85 142.10-149.10	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	Scarce 162.00-169.50 157.00-161.75 Load 142.60 133.85-140.00	
SLAUGHTER STE Choice 2-3 1150-14 120.75.		SLAUGHTER CO and Boning (75-83 89.75, low dressin	5% lean) 83.50-	
SLAUGHTER HEI Choice 2-3 1218 lbs		SLAUGHTER BU Grade 1-2 1350-2 104.50.		
COW & CALF PAI	RS:	REPLACEMENT	COWS:	

Medium and Large 1-2 4-6 yrs,

1100-1300 lbs, 1st-2nd stage,

1360.00-1490.00 per head.

Medium and Large 1-2 2-5 yrs,

2050.00-2200.00 per pair.

950-1150 lbs, baby-200 lb calves,

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Farmington, Patton)

Receipts: 1458 Week ago: 1782 Year ago: 1151 Compared to last week, steers and heifers sold uneven from 3.00 higher to 4.00 lower. Slaughter cows 2.00 higher and bulls 2.00 lower

FEEDER ST Medium and La			HEIFERS: Large 1 & 1-2
250-300 lbs. 300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-775 lbs. REPLACEMENT C Medium and Large 1 1415 lbs, 2nd-3rd sta 1200.00 per head.	-2 3-7yrs 870-	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-775 lbs. SLAUGHTER	
COW & CALF PAII and Large 1-2 4-7 yr with 90-230 lbs calv 1425.00 per pair.	s, 960-1245 lbs	60.00-75.00 <u>SLAUGHTER</u> 1 Grade 1-2 1305 98.00, high dres 109.50	5-2010 lbs 96.50-

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts: 3783 Week ago: 1833 Year ago: 2682 Steers and heifers steady to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1			
300-400 lbs.	199.00-217.50	300-400 lbs.	170.00-187.00		
400-500 lbs.	181.00-206.00	400-500 lbs.	160.00-179.00		
500-600 lbs.	153.00-174.50	500-600 lbs.	152.50-169.50		
600-700 lbs.	138.00-155.00	600-700 lbs.	135.00-158.00		
700-800 lbs.	131.75-142.10	700-800 lbs.	129.00-145.00		
REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2 yearling plus to 8 years, 900-1375 lbs 2nd-3rd stage 1000.00-1285.00 per head.		<u>SLAUGHTER COWS:</u> Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 80.00-86.50, high dressing 87.00 -95.75. Lean (85-90%) 73.00-81.00, low dressing 60.00-72.00			
COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 Scarce		SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1300-2100 lbs 96.00- 101.00, high dressing 106.00- 108.50.			

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts: 200 Week ago: 200 Year ago: 200 Trading inactive to slow this week. Compared to last week. Few lives sales near steady, few dressed sales not well tested 10.00 lower.

LIVE STEERS & HEIFERS:	DRESSED STEERS & HEIFERS:
60-80% Choice 122.00-123.50	60-80% Choice 193.00
fob	

GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid): Choice 3 550-950 lbs 197.00

FEEDER HEIFERS:

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts: 3843 Week ago: 3737 Year ago: 4857 Compared to last week, barrows and gilts 1.00 to 3.00 higher, sows steady to 4.00 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS: SOWS: 300-500 lbs. 46.00-47.00 79.00. Weekly top Friday 79.00. Over 500 lbs. 52.00-53.00

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 4733 Weaner prices steady to 3.00 lower, feeder pig sales reported. Supply and demand moderate. Price per head. Early weaned pigs 10 lb. base weights fob the farm 0% negotiated 2633 head,10 lbs, 34.50-42.00 weighted average 38.55; Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights delivered 100% negotiated, 2100 head, 35.00. Feeder pigs in all lot sizes, delivered 100% negotiated, no sales reported. Prices per head.

WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES (DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	370.80	272.50	400.00	123.50
St. Louis	407.00	262.50	410.00	117.50

Midwest Exchange Regional Stockyards Mexico 04/12/2012

Receipts: 213 Week Ago: 384 Last Year: 778 All Prices per cwt. SHEEP: 35 head (prices per hundred weight)

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 non-traditional few pkgs 65-75 lbs 240.00-250.00, pkg 264.00. few Choice 2-3 44-81 lbs 222.00-232.00 Slaughter Ewes: Good 1-3 few 210-240 lbs 62.00-65.00. GOATS: 178 head (prices per hundred weight) Slaughter Kids: Selection 1-2 pkg 43 lbs 250.00. Selection 2 50-60 lbs few 250.00-258.00. Nannies: Selection 1-2 few 80-100 lbs 122.00-127.00, pkg 115 lbs 111.00 Selection 2-3 95-115 lbs 111.00-118.00 Selection 3 pkg thin 82 lbs 96.00. Billies: Selection 1-2 few 110-130 lbs 117.00-130.00, ind. 175 lbs 105.00.

Norwood — Producers Auction Yards Special Dairy Sale 4/12/2012

Receipts: 1061 Last Month: 825 Last Year: 1925 Springer Heifers: bred 7-9 mos: Supreme 1325.00-1410.00. Crossbreds 1225.00-1260.00. Approved 1100.00-1410.00, Crossbreds 1075.00-1200.00. Medium 900.00-1150.00. Crossbreds 900.00-1075.00. Common 730.00-950.00, Crossbreds 800.00-980.00, Jerseys 600.00-610.00. bred 4-6 mos Supreme 1280.00-1320.00. Approved 1025.00-1240.00, Crossbreds 1000.00-1200.00. Medium 775.00-1000.00, Crossbreds 800.00-925.00. Common 650.00-840.00. Bred 1-3 mos. Supreme 1220.00-1280.00. Approved 1025.00-1150.00. Medium 800.00-975.00. Common 600.00-750.00. Open Heifers Approved: 300-400 lbs 485.00-500.00, Jerseys 490.00-550.00, Crossbreds 375.00-460.00; 400-500 lbs 550.00-600.00, Crossbreds 460.00-580.00; 500-600 lbs 630.00-685.00, Crossbreds 600.00-630.00, 600-700 lbs 750.00-795.00, 700-800 lbs 900.00-940.00. Replacement Cows Fresh Cows Approved 1300.00 Medium 880.00-1035.00. Baby Calves: Holstein heifers 200.00-220.00. Holstein Bulls 160.00-205.00. Jersey bulls 45.00-65.00

Diamond-TS Whites Sheep and Goat Sale Monthly Sheep and Goat Auction 05/05/2012

Receipts: 1943 Last Month: 905 Year Ago: 1500 Sheep Slaughter Lambs: Choice 2-3 wooled 115-165 lbs 130.00-155.00; non-traditional 40-60 lbs 240.00-245.00. Hair Lambs: 60-70 lbs 190.00-225.00. Feeder/stocker Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2 hair 40-50 lbs 195.00-250.00. Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 2-3 wooled 190-255 lbs 60.00-87.50. Hair Ewes: 90-140 lbs 82.50-110.00. Goats-Slaughter Classes: Kids Selection: 1 40-50 lbs 210.00-250.00; Selection 1-2 50-60 lbs 191.00-222.50; 70-80 lbs 170.00-205.00; Selection 2 40-50 lbs 170.00-220.00; 60-70 lbs 185.00-202.50; 80-100 lbs 140.00-141.00; Selection 3 40-50 lbs 140.00-180.00; 50-60 lbs 150.00-160.00. Does/Nannies: Selection 1-2 108-180 lbs 85.00-110.00; Selection 2-3 73 -95 lbs 105.00-135.00; Selection 3 Dairy 75-133 lbs 93.00-122.50. Billies: Selection 1-2 102-150 lbs 105.00-135.00; Selection 3 78-95 lbs 80.00-145.00. Replacement Classes: Does/nannies: Selection 1-2 100-130 lbs 112.50-125.00; with pairs at 85.00-130.00 per head. Stocker/Feeder Kids Selection 2 20-30 lbs 181.00-230.00; 30-40 lbs 183.00-250.00; Selection 3 30-40 lbs 125.00-170.00; bottle kids 25.00-65.00 per headall prices Per cwt unless noted.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .05 lower to .20 higher, Wheat .15 to .17 lower, Corn .13 to .32 lower, KC Wheat .19 to .20 lower, SB Meal 7.20 lower to 4.10 higher

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans May Jul Aug Sep Nov	1431 1434 3/4 1426 1401 1382	1426 1427 1/4 1418 1/4 1388 1/4 1364 3/4	1442 1424 1/4 1412 1/4 1383 1359	1441 1444 1/2 1432 1399 1/4 1372 3/4	1436 3/4 1440 3/4 1424 3/4 1391 3/4 1361 3/4
Wheat May Jul Sep Dec Mar	643 649 663 3/4 684 1/2 701	625 3/4 632 648 1/2 669 3/4 686 1/2	628 633 1/2 650 1/2 673 688 1/2	639 1/4 644 1/2 657 677 1/2 691	623 1/2 630 1/4 644 1/2 665 1/4 680 3/4
Corn May Jul Sep Dec Mar	649 641 1/4 568 1/2 550 1/4 559 1/4	634 3/4 625 3/4 560 3/4 543 1/2 553 1/2	636 627 564 1/4 546 3/4 556 3/4	637 1/2 629 564 1/4 546 3/4 557 1/4	629 1/4 620 3/4 555 1/2 537 548
KC Wheat May Jul Sep Dec Mar	660 669 3/4 685 706 1/2 721 1/2	641 650 1/4 665 1/2 687 1/2 703	644 653 3/4 668 3/4 690 3/4 705 3/4	653 662 1/4 677 1/2 699 1/4 713 1/2	643 652 666 1/4 687 701 3/4
SB Meal May Jul Aug Sep Oct	388.80 391.10 387.60 380.00 370.10	389.80 391.40 387.20 377.20 366.90	386.80 388.90 383.80 374.00 362.00	397.60 396.60 390.10 380.10 367.60	395.80 397.80 390.30 378.60 365.20

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .25 to 2.20 higher, Lean Hogs 1.75 to 4.10 lower, Feeder Cattle 1.80 to 4.65 higher.

Daily Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Cattle Apr Jun Aug Oct Dec	119.37 115.77 118.37 124.15 126.27	117.75 114.30 117.30 123.30 125.57	118.37 115.05 118.05 124.45 126.62	121.25 117.15 120.15 126.37 128.60	120.52 116.07 119.05 125.10 127.50
Lean Hogs Apr May Jun Jul Aug	84.42 94.00 93.60 94.10 94.20	83.80 93.10 93.35 93.70 94.17	83.17 92.52 92.65 92.90 92.87	83.52 93.12 93.22 93.52 93.65	82.75 90.12 90.22 90.52 91.00
Fdr Cat Apr May Aug Sep Oct	148.15 148.50 141.02 152.27 142.42	147.07 147.60 150.30 151.62 152.60	148.60 149.42 152.10 153.42 154.42	151.10 152.25 155.10 156.42 157.42	150.52 151.52 155.22 156.72 157.77
Milk Apr May Jun	15.62 15.31 15.29	15.64 15.36 15.30	15.60 14.88 14.97	15.73 14.68 14.89	15.80 14.97 15.05

By-Product Feed Prices

Alfalfa Pellets 17%, St. Louis, MO 310.00; Corn Gluten Feed pelleted, Baring, MO 190.00; Distillers Grain Dried, Kansas City, MO 225.00; Soy Hulls Mexico, MO 145.00. Prices per ton.

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .01 to .09 higher Wheat .12 to .17 lower Corn .23 to .30 lower Grain Sorghum .52 to .61 lower

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soy- beans	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum					
Kansas City Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	14.35 14.30 14.26 14.45 14.41	6.23-6.28 6.06-6.11 6.08-6.13 6.19-6.24 6.04-6.09	6.73 6.59 6.60 6.62 6.52	10.88-10.96 10.63-10.71 10.64-10.73 10.68-10.77 10.52					
St. Louis Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	14.55 14.50 14.45 14.62-14.64 14.57-14.58	6.68 6.50 6.51 6.62 6.46	6.72-6.74 6.59-6.60 6.60-6.63 6.65-6.66 6.57-6.59	11.23 10.98 11.00 11.04 10.89					
Central Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	13.96-14.14 13.91-14.01 13.92-14.07 14.11-14.26 14.07-14.12	5.74-5.93 5.57-5.75 5.59-5.78 5.70-5.89 5.55-5.74	6.39-6.49 6.30-6.35 6.31-6.36 6.33-6.38 6.24-6.29	n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a					
S.E. MO Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	14.45-14.47 14.40-14.43 14.35-14.39 14.54-14.59 14.51-14.56	6.48-6.59 6.31-6.42 6.33-6.44 6.47-6.55 6.29-6.38	6.60-6.67 6.46-6.53 6.47-6.58 6.49-6.58 6.40-6.48	n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a					

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT) *NEW CROP

Week Ending April 8, 2012 Agricultural Summary

Warm temperatures remained across the state complemented by scattered rainfall. The state experienced 4.7 days suitable for fieldwork while the southeast district (Bootheel) enjoyed 6.5 days. Topsoil moisture was 1 percent very short, 16 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. The Bootheel was 32 percent short and very short compared to 2 percent short and very short last week. Ground worked spring tillage was 63 percent, 1 month ahead of last year, and 32 days ahead of normal (5-year average). Field Crops Report Corn planted advanced 16 points to 23 percent, 8 days ahead of last year, and 12 days ahead of normal. Rice planted advanced 38 points to 47 percent, 43 days ahead of last year, and 23 days ahead of normal. Rice emerged was 5 percent, 23 days ahead of last year, and 2 weeks ahead of normal. **Sorghum** planted was 1 percent, with planting reported in the northwest and northeast districts. Winter wheat development was well ahead of schedule with wheat headed and beyond at 31 percent, 25 days ahead of last year, and 28 days ahead of normal. Wheat condition was 2 percent poor, 22 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 20 percent excellent. Pasture & Livestock Pasture condition was 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 10 percent excellent. Many producers were pasturing livestock. Weather Summary Temperatures averaged 5 to 11 degrees above normal with the majority resting 6 to 8 degrees above normal. Across the state weekly extreme highs reached the near 90's with weekly extreme lows reaching near freezing. **Precipitation** averaged 0.57 of an inch across the state with Nodaway, Audrain, and Ste. Genevieve counties receiving over 2 inches.